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(C) Per reftel instructions, visiting NSC Senior Director for Strategic Planning and Institutional Reform William Inboden, G Senior Staffer Paul Lettow and A/PolCouns delivered talking points to Ministry of External Affairs Joint Secretary Manjeev Puri (United Nations/Econ and Social) and Joint Secretary Sanjiv Arora (United Nations/Political) on July 17.

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Puri remained noncommittal. However, Arora intimated that the GOI would not turn its back on Russia's full inclusion and participation in the CD. He did not address Nigeria or Venezuela directly, nor did he respond to our point on Bangladesh. Embassy will continue to engage as instructed.
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